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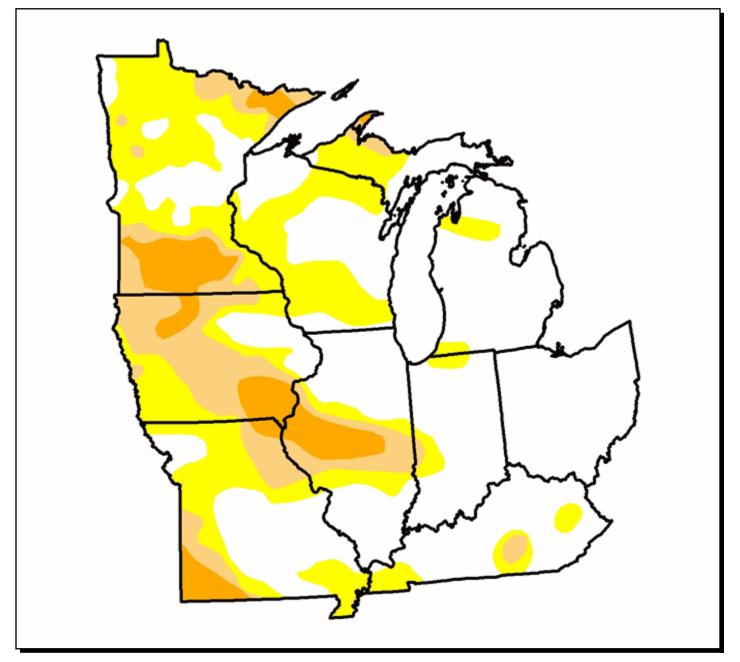
ILLINOIS, Northwest

(IL-Z025) HENDERSON, (IL-Z026) WARREN, (IL-Z034) HANCOCK, (IL-Z035) MCDONOUGH

10/01/11 00:00 CST 0

10/31/11 23:59 CST

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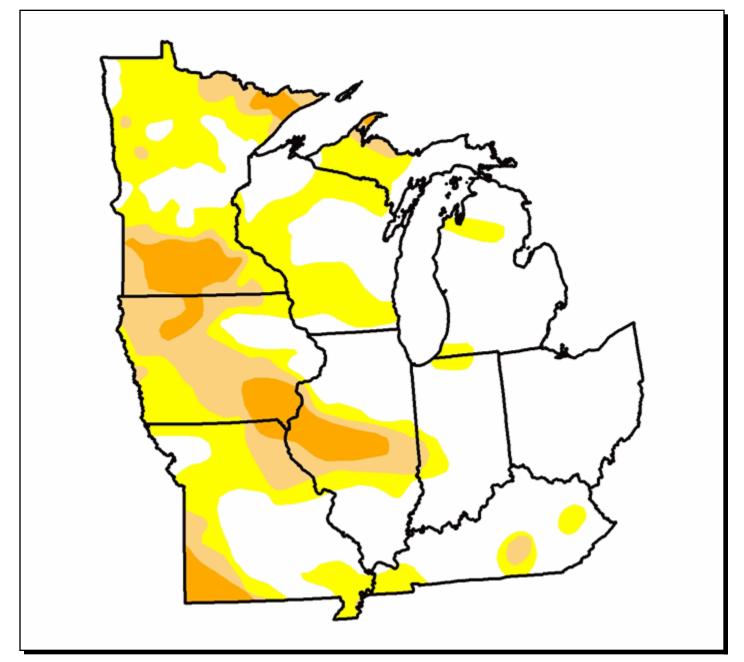
IOWA, East Central and Southeast

(IA-Z076) KEOKUK, (IA-Z077) WASHINGTON, (IA-Z078) LOUISA, (IA-Z087) JEFFERSON, (IA-Z088) HENRY, (IA-Z089) DES MOINES, (IA-Z098) VAN BUREN, (IA-Z099) LEE

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DES MOINES COUNTY 1.5 NNE BURLINGTON ARPT [40.80, -91.11]				
	10/11/11 15:12 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	10/11/11 15:12 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter

Trained spotter reported penny size hail at Hyatt and 65th Street in Burlington.

Isolated thunderstorms developed during the peak heating of late afternoon along and east of the Mississippi River on October 11, 2011. The storms formed in the deeper low level moisture axis where surface dew points were around 60F. Negative theta-e lapse rates were present in the 850-500 mb layer along with marginal instability. There was a southwest flow aloft with short wave energy emerging out of the Plains and into the Midwest. There were several reports of pea size hail but one storm managed to produce penny size hail in Burlington, lowa during the late afternoon.

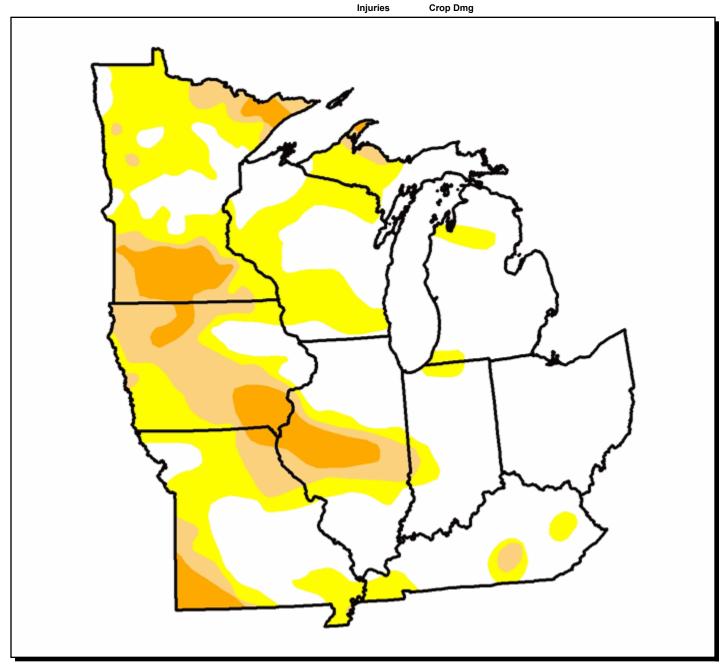
MISSOURI, Northeast (MO-Z009) SCOTLAND, (MO-Z010) CLARK 10/01/11 00:00 CST 0 Drought 10/31/11 23:59 CST 0

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